

Amendment to the Claims

1. (currently amended) A method for requesting approval for accessing a
5 resource in a system of resources, comprising the steps of:
creating a resource profile including at least one resource, wherein said at
least one resource has an owner;
a manager creating a job profile including at least one object construction,
said object construction representing a job function or functions;
10 said manager requesting of said resource owner approval for access by said
job profile to said at least one resource;
responsive to said resource owner granting approval, assigning said approved
job profile to said resource profile such that any user subsequently assigned to said
approved job profile by said manager automatically gains approval and access to
15 said at least one resource included in said resource profile.
2. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said requesting step
automatically originates from said assigning step.
- 20 3. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said resource profile includes at
least one computing device.
4. (original) The method of Claim 3, wherein said resource profile includes at
least one software module.
- 25 5. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least
one job.
6. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least
30 one role.
7. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least
one project.
- 35 8. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least
one workgroup.

9. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least one responsibility.

5 10. (currently amended) A method for authorizing and providing a user access to a resource in a system, comprising the steps of:

assigning once a job profile managed by a manager to a resource profile, wherein said resource profile includes a resource, wherein said resource profile has an owner, and wherein a request by said manager of said resource owner for access by said job profile to said resource is approved by said resource owner and access

10 to said resource by said job profile is granted; and

subsequently assigning a user to said approved job profile that relates to said user, such that said user automatically gains approval for and access to said resource included in said resource profile.

15 11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) The method of Claim 10, further including granting an account to said user for accessing said approved resource.

20 13. (previously presented) The method of Claim 12, wherein said account is automatically provided following said assigning said user to said approved job profile.

25 14. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said resource profile includes at least one computing device.

15. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said resource profile includes at least one application software.

30 16. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one job.

17. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one role.

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18. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one project.

19. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one workgroup.

20. (currently amended) A method of approving access to a resource profile in a system, comprising the steps of:

5 a resource owner of a resource of a resource profile receiving by a manager of a job profile a request for said job profile to access said resource profile;
said resource owner evaluating said request; and
said resource owner deciding once to grant access approval such that if
10 access approval is granted, future accesses to said resource profile by members of said approved job profile do not need to request approval of said resource owner.

21. (original) The method of Claim 20, wherein said deciding step includes restricting said resource profile to be accessed by a certain job profile.

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22. (currently amended) A system for accessing computing resources, comprising:
at least one user terminal;

at least one database including at least one application software;

at least one computing device;

20 means for creating a resource profile including said at least one database and said at least one application software, wherein said resource profile has at least one owner;

means for creating a job profile managed by a manager and related to at least one user;

25 means for assigning said resource profile to said job profile;

means for said manager requesting of said at least least one resource owner access to said resource profile by said job profile;

means for said at least one resource owner approving once said job profile access to said resource profile; and

30 means for providing any member subsequently assigned to said approved job profile automatically gains access to at least one resource included in said resource profile.

23. (original) The computer system of Claim 22, further implemented on a network environment.

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24. (original) The computer system of Claim 23, wherein said network environment further comprising Internet.

25. (original) The method of Claim 4, wherein at least one of said resource profile, said computing device, and said software module is owned by various resource owners.

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26. (currently amended) A method for building a resource profile, comprising the steps of:

determining whether a plurality of resources may be grouped together in a resource profile; and

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grouping said plurality of resources in said resource profile if such grouping is allowed, such that if access approval is granted once by a resource owner to an authorized job profile managed by a manager for said resource profile, future accesses by said authorized job profile of said resource profile do not need access approval.

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27. (original) The method of claim 26, wherein said determining step further includes checking against an exclusion rule.

28. (previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including:

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indicating that said resource profile may not be built if said grouping is not allowed under said exclusion rule.

29. (currently amended) A method for assigning a job profile to a resource profile, comprising the steps of:

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determining whether a job profile may be assigned to a resource profile; and one time assigning said job profile to said resource profile if such assignment is requested by a manager of said job profile and allowed by a resource owner of said resource profile, such that a user subsequently assigned to said approved job profile by said manager gains automatic approval for accessing said resource profile.

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30. (original) The method of claim 26, wherein said determining step further includes checking against an exclusion rule.

31. (previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including:

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indicating that said job profile may not be assigned to said resource profile if said assignment is not allowed under said exclusion rule.

32. (currently amended)A computer readable medium embodying a method for requesting approval for accessing a resource in a system of resources, said method comprising the steps of:

- 5 creating a resource profile including at least one resource, wherein said at least one resource has an owner;
- a manager creating a job profile including at least one object construction, said object construction representing a job function or functions;
- said manager requesting of said resource owner approval for access by said job profile to said at least one resource;
- 10 responsive to said resource owner granting approval, assigning said approved job profile to said resource profile such that any user subsequently assigned to said approved job profile by said manager automatically gains approval and access to said at least one resource included in said resource profile.